



Marine Notice No. 31 of 2026

Amended 30/06/2026

Notice to all Shipowners, Fishing Vessel Owners, Agents, Shipmasters, Skippers, Fishers,
Yachtsmen and Seafarers

Uisce Éireann Strategic Modelling Study Sligo & Donegal Bays

1. Notice of Activity

The Department of Transport has been advised by Hydro Survey that they will carry out vessel-mounted acoustic doppler current profiler (VMADCP) surveys, conductivity, temperature and depth (CTD) water quality sampling, temporary tide gauge installations, and nearshore bathymetric surveys, forming part of the Uisce Éireann Sligo and Donegal Strategic Modelling Study. Operations will commence on **8 July 2026** with an anticipated completion date of **August 2026**, subject to weather and operational constraints.

2. Location of Activity

Operations will be conducted across three areas as follows

VMADCP Survey Stations – Donegal Bay (see map in Appendix 1 to this Marine Notice)

VMADCP6	54° 38.959' N	8° 07.412' W
VMADCP7	54° 37.839' N	8° 09.569' W
VMADCP8	54° 37.638' N	8° 12.346' W
VMADCP9	54° 38.496' N	8° 17.209' W
VMADCP10	54° 38.034' N	8° 17.966' W
VMADCP11	54° 37.479' N	8° 24.434' W

Tide Guage Installations

TGTS3	54° 39.070' N	8° 06.898' W
TGTS4	54° 08.011' N	9° 08.255' W

CTD Profiling – River Moy/Killala Bay (see map in Appendix 2 to this Marine Notice)

CTD1	54° 09.166' N	9° 08.321' W
CTD2	54° 11.039' N	9° 08.275' W
CTD3	54° 12.595' N	9° 08.446' W

Nearshore Bathymetric Surveys:

Intertidal and nearshore areas between Enniscrone and Aughris Head, and between Streedagh Point and Rossnowlagh (extents shown on map in Appendix 3 to this Marine Notice).

3. Details of Vessels

The vessels carrying out the survey are as follows:

- “Leah C” (Call Sign: EIQS5).
- “Capall Bán” (Call Sign: EIA2559).

The vessels will maintain a continuous VHF radio watch on Channel 16 throughout all operations.

4. Contact Details

Enquiries regarding the contents of this Marine Notice, or any other relevant matters, should be directed to:

- Managing Director, Hydro Survey: Hugh Power
- Telephone: +353 21 483 1184
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All mariners are reminded of their responsibilities under the International Collision Regulations and of [Marine Notice No. 17 of 2007](#), which gives general advice in relation to the activities of vessels engaged in survey work for hydrographic, seismic, fishing research and underwater operations.

The International Regulations for Prevention of Collisions at Sea (COLREGS) are implemented in Irish law by the *Merchant Shipping (Collision Regulations) (Ships and Water Craft on the Water) Order 2012* (S.I. No. 507 of 2012) and the *Signals of Distress (Ships) Rules 2012* (S.I. No.170 of 2012). [See Marine Notice No. 06 of 2013](#). These Statutory Instruments may be purchased by mail order from Government Publications, Office of Public Works, Mountshannon Road, Dublin, D08 XA06 Tel: (046) 9423100. They are also available online at: www.irishstatutebook.ie.

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- Encl: Appendix 1: Location Map showing approximate VMADCP station positions (Donegal Bay)**
Appendix 2: Location map showing CTD station positions (River Moy/Killala Bay)
Appendix 3: Nearshore Bathymetry Survey Extents Map

For any technical assistance in relation to this Marine Notice, please contact:

The Marine Survey Office, email: MSO@transport.gov.ie.

For general enquiries, please contact the Maritime Safety Policy Division, email:

MaritimeSafetyPolicyDivision@transport.gov.ie.

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